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3. (Secret - GLC) Met with Bill Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, and briefed him in detail on the military situation in Laos. Woodruff said that on the strength of Mr. Maury's briefing last Tuesday he advised Senators Ellender and Milton Young prior to their departure from Washington that the situation was very bad and could deteriorate completely in a matter of weeks.

Woodruff said he had also briefed Chairman Ellender on the Fecteau case. The Chairman expressed interest and compassion for Fecteau and asked Woodruff about his physical and mental condition. I have given Woodruff a rundown on this so that he can report back when the Chairman returns from his trip.

4. (Secret - GLC) Met with Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, and briefed him in detail on the military situation in Laos and indicated that we were anxious for Chairman Stennis to be fully informed. Braswell said he had briefed the Chairman prior to his departure to Mississippi and would be talking with him again shortly and would bring him up-to-date at that time.

I made arrangements with Braswell for him to meet with Colonel White, Mr. Colby, Mr. Maury and myself for lunch tomorrow.

5. (Confidential - GLC) Talked with [redacted] 25X1 WH Division, about the requests made by J. Sourwine, Chief Counsel, Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, for the two Cuban stowaways and the Cuban defector (see Journal of 20 December) and asked that he make Sourwine's request a matter of record so that the Subcommittee would have priority over any public appearances or statements by them.

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